Home Agent's Notes

By Mrs. B. G. Anderson
Home Demonstration Agent

January Eggs

There are several good reasons for making the most of eggs at this time of year, according to the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. Because of the cool weather, the proportion of top-quality eggs in the total production is large. Also, there's a good share of large-size eggs.

Yolks of eggs at this season generally are delicate yellow in color, so give a light yellow to omelets, custards, cakes or other favorite egg dishes. Later as spring comes on and many hens will be on green feed, more eggs will have deep yellow yolks. But the shade of yellow is no indication of the vitamin A content of the yolk. Now that most hens are scientifically fed, they get their full quota of vitamins and other nutrients at all times of the year.

As an example of how the efficiency of hens has improved, the 1955 rate of lay was 185 eggs per laying hen on farms compared to 121 eggs per hen 25 years ago.

Finish For Rush Seats of Chairs

Whether you're looking for a good finish for new rush chair seats or a way to clean and finish old seats of rush, cane or splint, Gena Thames, New Jersey home furnishings specialist, recommends a mixture of linseed oil and turpentine followed by a thin type of penetrating floor sealer.

When you have finished weaving and stuffing a rush seat, trim ends on the underside to about an inch and trim any loose ends on the topside, says Miss Thames. Straighten the rows and even the seat with the rounded end of a stuffer, and polish the seats with stuffer or piece of leather. Then apply equal parts of turpentine and raw linseed oil to both sides of the seat. When thoroughly dry—or after 24 hours of drying—apply a second coat to the bottom. After another 24 hours of drying, apply a thin type of sealer with a rag. Add more coats until no dull spots appear. Allow at least 24 hours to dry between each coat.

As for those old chairs that have dried out and become embedded with dust, Miss Thames says that they may be cleaned quickly and easily for a new look and durability. Here's how:

To one quart of hot water, add 3 tablespoons boiled linsed oil and 1 tablespoon turpentine. Keep this solution hot in a double boiler or a pan and can set in warm water while you use it. Never place this flammable mixture directly on the stove or over a flame.

Brush out loose dust before applying cleaner. Use a cloth to apply the mixture and a brush to remove dirt that has collected between strands on the underside of a cane seat. If a finish is needed on the seat after it is thoroughly dry, apply a thin type of floor sealer on both top and bottom.

U. S. Farm Woman

A tribute to the farm homemaker in the United States was included in a report by a Latin American newspaperman who took part recently in an agricultural press and radio course, sponsored by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the International Cooperation Administration. Wrote Mario Miglio of La Prensa, Lima, Peru, after visiting farms in Missouri:

"It may seem strange to consider the woman as a separate factor, but I have no fear in qualifying the American woman as one of the most decisive factors in explaining the great agricultural development in this country. In the home—the kitchen— in the field, the American woman, it could almost be said, excells the man.

"Even at the risk of being considered discourteous for making this anology, from a strictly economic point of view the woman is the best machine which the farmer has. A man who cares for 700 chickens and works 100 acres should be applauded, but the woman who takes care of that man— chickens and all — is a person to be truly admired.

"If to this is added the fact that a good part of the spiritual strength of the community, which so characterizes the farm population of the United States, is due to her; that she is the basis for cooperation with neighbors — it is easy to conclude that she is the cornerstone on which is built a special type of family, which will be difficult to find in any other country.

"I do not believe," Mr. Miglio concludes, "that from a social point of view there exists anything better in the United States than the farm family as a secure and immovable basis for the greatness of the country."

HEALTH AND BEAUTY

Doctors tell us that the first step in reducing should be to determine if fatness really exists. This is not always easy. The weight charts are not always correct. In fact, unless combined with other tests, it may prove very misleading.

If a good look in the mirror discloses the presence of bulges where none should exist, you are probably carrying too much weight. However, not everyone carries excess weight in the same places. The difference is especially striking in the two sexes. Women normally distribute their fat most heavily around the hips, thighs and lower part of the abdomen. Men usually deposit their useless fat first in the abdomen.

Slight degrees of overweight should be corrected as early as possible. You note how important this is when you know that as little as ten extra pounds causes an increase in mortality of eight per cent. Fatness is always curable, but it can be combatted most successfully when the pounds are few and the condition is but several weeks or days old.

Not all the fatty tissue of our body is useless or detrimental. Certain amounts of it are quite useful and necessary. The fat that calls for reducing is that which is obviously superfluous. Some people are large because of big frames or tremendous muscles. Others have an accumulation of salt and water as often seen in heart and kidney disease. Uncomplicated pregnancy always causes weight gain. Tumors or growths can become large and heavy enough to increase the patient's poundage.

In a man a waist circumference greater than that of the chest is a sign of obesity. However, this is not always the case. Weak abdominal muscles can give rise to an enlarged and protruding abdomen. Distention due to gas may give the same appearance. The only sure way to determine overweight is to have a complete physical examination by a physician. At this time he will give you a diet chart and tell you how rapidly it is safe for you to lose weight.

WASHINGTON NOTES

DEFENSE

The military budget for fiscal 1957 is expected to add up at least 35.2 billion dollars and may go even higher. By comparison, expenditures for the present fiscal year, ending June 30, 1956, are to total between 34 and 34.5 billions. The Russian attitude is held responsible for the increase.

FARM SITUATION

The results of a survey by the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City of 105 "country banks" whose customers are primarily farmers, showed that the drop in farm income is being reflected in bank deposits. Demand deposits in these banks decreased by 8.1 per cent for the year ended October 31 savings deposits increased by 4 per cent, while total deposits for the year registered a drop of 6.4 per cent.

DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS

Internal Revenue Service offices all over the country are stepping up the pressure on delinquent taxpayers, shortening the time between mailing out final overdue notices, and attaching salaries, or putting liens on property.

EMPLOYMENT

Employment in non - agricultural establishments is at a record peak, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. A shortage of skilled workers in many industries is reported.

AID TO SCHOOLS

Federal aid for the construction of schools, rather than use of Federal funds to meet school-operating expenses, is now being considered by the Eisenhower Administration. The Administration will present to the Congress a broadened and improved program of Federal assistance to help erase the classroom deficit," according to Marion Folsom, Secretary of Welfare.

WINGLESS MISSILE

The Department of Defense has announced its plan to proceed with the development of a middle-range wingless missile, which would be supersonic and have the capability of blasting targets more than 1,000 miles from the firing site. The Air Force will have the primary role in developing this weapon.

The nation's most valuable crop is corn, which this year valued at $4,169,538,000, co with $4,306,645,000 last year. average price was $1.31 a b compared with $1.43 last year ton was second, valued at $ 529,000. Tomatoes ranked among fresh vegetables, with ue of $141,032,000, while o led the fruits with a value of 158,000.

BOY, 2, SAVES MOTHER

Pueblo, Colo.- While Charl kenstadt, 2½, is too young to how to use a dial telephone played with the phone long e to get firemen to revive his er, Mrs. Virginia Finkenstadt she had collapsed. An operato ticing the erratic signal, ran fire station. The child was to tell his name or his ad Fireman had the call traced found Mrs. Finkenstadt uncon on the floor. She was revive oxygen and taken to a hospit observation.

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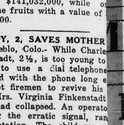

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Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

cording to the celebrated his- Bruce Catton, there was a during the winter of 1862- hen the Confederate Army of orn Virginia, that matchless ing core of Dixie's prowess, encamped on the south shores of Rappahannock River at redericksburg. And the Federal ny on the north banks of the winter on the north banks same river. If you have been to know that the Rappa- is narrow at Fredericks- and that therefore the two armies were settled down for r a mere hundred yards or t. One winter evening, with ld sky turning steel - grey then edging off into smudge- not one but several Federal moved along to the river's and massed up into one great e band, and they showed off ir wide grand concert of mu- entertainment of one and t an audience! The Fed- huddled on the steep hillsides cient Falmouth and peering the dusk across the ribbon of water at the Johnny Reb broad plain southward. Well ese Northern bands really ed off, all right. They played songs— "John Brown's — "Rally 'Round the Flag" that Yankee tear-jerker- ng Tonight."

o it was that when these bands had gone through pieces, that a voice called out ad clear across the dark of water, a voice from Dixie ing, "Now, play some of

d, so help me, according to n's story, the Federal bands ust that. They struck off with mortal "Dixie," and followed th their rendition of "The e Blue Flag." Ah yes, and 00 fighting men, rugged gun pioneer America, on both guns ready but hearts warm- ntatted there and listened. e the full blackness of night ded along the Rappahannock ggers sounded "Taps."

s the fading echoes of wafted over the hillsides of Virginia, these bands did a away. And the last tune, after was: "Home, Sweet Home." boys tried to sing it. But, how can a fellow sing when roat is choked up and there no words, no voice, nothing tears and longing, and Yank eb, what the difference— the d cheeks, the tattered imita- of uniforms, the mud, log or s holes, shacks, or tents in to spend a winter—no medi- he USO—no money, no noth- ut winter dark, the guns cold. ry to sing, but you can't do ot "Home, Sweet Home," any-

yes, and two months later same fellows were killing other at Chancellorsville. t on April 9, 1865, at Appo- ox, they were reconciled.

OF VA. EXTENSION ASS IN APPOMATTOX

e University of Virginia Ex- on Division has made plans to a course in Contemporary Lit- re I, beginning Monday, Feb- 6 at 7:00 P. M., Room 10, omattox High School.

is course may be taken for self ovement, certificate renewal, or ece college degree requirements. course will cost $25.50 and will three semester hours credit. person who is interested in tak- this class may contact Aubrey Keesee, Phone 3652.

EE CLUB NEWS

he Lee Home Demonstration held its January meeting in ome of Mrs. D. M. Wood. A hfist covered dish luncheon enjoyed by all. This was a o choice" month, Mrs. Wood a demonstration on Pies Pastries. She made delicious n and cherry pies, and also ted the members in how to the pastry.

e February meeting will be in the home of Mrs. W. E.

Local Scouts Plan Program For Scout Week

Appomattox Troop No. 46, Boy Scouts of America is planning an active observance of National Boy Scout Week, Feb. 6 - 12.

The local troop, which is sponsored by the Lions Club, will have an exhibit on display next week in the window of the Robinson Furniture Store.

A feature of the week will be a Father - Son supper at the American Legion Hall on Wed., February 8. The meal will be prepared by the Scouts.

On Sunday, February 12, Troop 46 will attend morning worship services at the Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church.

An invitation is extended to all interested boys to join the local Boy Scout Troop.

Blue Hornets Win 1, Lose 1

Appomattox High School basketball boy's team won over Nelson County High School, 68 to 35, here last Friday night, but lost Tuesday to Brookville, 73 to 52.

The A. H. S. Blue Hornet hoopsters trampled the visiting Nelson County team for an easy win. But the team could not get going in the Brookville tilt, and now has a record of 7 wins and 3 losses in league games. A. H. S. has lost one each to New London, William Campbell and Brookville.

A freshman, Raymond Ferguson, was high scorer for the home team in the game with Nelson. He had 14 points. Using a tight man-to-man defense, Appomattox prevented the Nelson score from mounting. Garland Doss and Robert Carter, the tall boys on the Hornet team, controlled the backboards.

Frankie Doss, with 22 markers, led the Appomattox girls to a 48-23 victory over the Nelson sextet. The Appomattox JV's walked over the Nelson yarlings by a score of 68-19.

In the girls' game with Brookville, Apomattox posted a 54-46 triumph. Frankie Doss again took scoring honors, with 25 points.

The Brookville Junior Varsity won 52-30 over the Appomattox JV team.

Evergreen School Sets Pace For The March of Dimes

The contributions to the March of Dimes in the public schools are better than a year ago, it was revealed in a report today.

The work in the Evergreen school has been particularly outstanding. This school has an enrollment of thirty-seven pupils, and has contributed $42.35. Barbara K. Staples led her fellow pupils in this drive, by collecting $6.00 in the community.

The record of school collections, through Tuesday of this week, is as follows:

Appomattox Elementary School	$190.36
Appomattox High School..	77.62
Evergreen	42.35
Pamplin	56.75
Oakville	46.45
Spout Spring	27.60
Vera	29.70
Total	$470.83

MARINE CORPS OPENING FOR RECRUITS

M/Sgt. John D. Moore, Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Marine Recruiting Sub-Station in Lynchburg, has announced that the Marine Corps is accepting a limited number of young men for enlistment and immediate assignment to active duty in the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve, for a period of two or three years. For complete information on this new program, visit or call or write the Marine Recruiting Sub-Station, Room 311, Post Office Building, Lynchburg, Va.

Stanley Tax Proposal Up For Decision

Richmond, Va., Jan. 31.- The key bill to Governor Stanley's $62,000,000 capital outlay program for the next two years moved toward a final vote this week in the House of Delegates.

Approved by the Finance Committee, 15 to 2, the bill was sent to the House floor Tuesday in the same form it was introduced by Finance Chairman Charles K. Hutchens, of Newport News and a large group of co-patrons. The measure would repeal the Automatic Tax Credit Act and accelerate the payment dates of public service companies and individual income taxes so that a one-time "windfall" of approximately $48,500,000 could be collected in one fiscal year for capital outlays. The remainder of the $62,000,000 would be provided from the June 30, 1956 surplus, estimated at $14,000,000 to $15,000,000.

Interposition continued to hold high priority in legislative deliberations, with every indication Virginia's postion would be a matter of history before the week is out. The Senate had for consideration a resolution sponsored by 35 of its 40 members, and in the House 93 of its 100 members already had signed a similar protest against the Supreme Court decision in the school segregation cases.

The resolution, reciting a long story of federal usurpation of States' rights culminating in the May 17, 1954 decision of the Court, declares the judicial action an "illegal encroachment" on states rights and pledges Virginia to exercise such legal means as are available to it to protect its sovereignty. It also calls on other states to take like action and direct Congress to settle the question of segregation in the constitutional manner—by amendment, submitted to the states for approval or disapproval.

The Virginia resolution, with Senator Harry C. Stuart, of Buckingham, as chief patron, does not go so far as to declare the Supreme Court decision null and void, but it makes plain that Virginia regards it as a result of abuse of the constitutional process and merits "legal" resistance.

NEW BOOK AT COUNTY LIBRARY

Valley of The Vines, by Joy Packer. Dieu Donne, the estate of Grannie Con, was rich land which she ruled like a matriarch. For years it had been the envy of other wealthy landowners, but Grannie Con had refused to sell any part of it. When the story opens her granddaughter, Merle, is arranging her wedding party. Merle is happy to marry; she cares little about the traditions of her family and has no affection for the old way of living or for preserving the beauty of the Valley. Roxane, a war-orphan, brought up by Grannie Con; Thinus the overseer of Dieu Donne, and Hal Fairmead, the handsome neighbor, are the other people who live in the Valley, the ones whose daily life needs courage and love above that of most people. Valley of The Vines is a novel of strong emotional conflict in an atmosphere both haunting and exotic.

VIRGINIA DEMOCRATS BOOST DINNER COST

Virginia Democrats will hold a $30-a-plate Jefferson - Jackson Day dinner this year as a substitute for the time-honored $25 dinner.

The extra $5, according to State Democratic Chairman Thomas H. Blanton, will be sent back to the party committee in the locality where the ticket buyer resides.

This year's fund raising affair will be held at 7:00 P. M. Feb. 23 and will be under the direction of State Senator E. Almer Ames, of Accomack.

As yet, no speaker has been announced for the dinner.

Annual Football Banquet

The Appomattox Lions Club will have its annual football banquet next Thursday night, Feb. 9.

FARMERS NOTIFIED OF TAX FILING DEADLINE

Attention of farmers is called to the fact that they must file their self-employment form and send in their tax for Social Security purposes by February 15, unless they filed an estimate by January 15. If they filed the estimate by January 15, they had to pay the estimated tax then but have until April 15 to send in their regular return.

Spout Spring Home Razed By Fire Mon.

The dwelling of Mr. Jesse E. Dickerson, near Spout Spring, was destroyed by fire early Monday morning. The eight-room house was a loss, but some furnishings and two nearby buildings were saved. Mr. Dickerson, alone at the home, was aroused by the blaze, and tried desperately to carry water to halt the fire. A neighbor arrived, and a call was sent for the Appomattox Volunteer Fire Company. The firemen arrived at about 4 A. M., to find the house too far gone to be saved. A stout wind was blowing, but efficient work saved two nearby outbuildings, and some of the furniture was pulled to safety.

Exact cause of the fire was unknown, but it was first discovered around an upstairs flue.

Woman's Club Presents Music Program Mon.

The Fine Arts Department of the Appomattox Woman's Club will present a vocal musical program by two senior students of Randolph-Macon Woman's College at the next regular meeting on Monday afternoon, February 6.

Hostesses for the afternoon are Mrs. John Grinals, Mrs. Charles R. Thomas, Mrs. H. A. Gurney, and Mrs. Raymond Lawson. The meeting will be held in the cafeteria of the elementary school.

The two artists who will be presented are the Misses Betty Scarff, of Falston, Maryland, and Betty Sturdivant, of Westminster, Maryland. They are the voice pupils of Miss Florence Vickland, voice instructor at R. M. W. C. Mrs. Dorothy Leachman, of Lynchburg, will be their accompanist.

Conservation Program Offers Aid In Improving Pastures

The 1956 Agriculture Conservation program offers financial assistance to Appomattox County farmers in establishing permanent pastures and also assistance in improving existing pastures, where the cover is such that improvement measures are needed.

Mr. W. D. Hix, III, chairman of the Appomattox County ASC Committee, says that farmers who have permanent pastures where a complete job needs to be done to obtain a desirable cover of grasses and legumes, may obtain through the ASC office financial assistance in preparing the seedbed, fertilizing, liming and seeding. The assistance covers an estimated fifty per cent of the cost of preparing the land by plowing, discing, or necessary measures and fifty per cent of the cost of the fertilizer, lime and seed.

Help in buying and spreading the lime can be given only where soil test shows the need of lime. This requirement is to keep farmers from buying and applying lime where it is not needed. Farmers can take the soil samples themselves and bring them to the County ASC office at Appomattox and they will be mailed to the Virginia Polytechnic Institute where the sample will be tested to determine the need for lime.

If a farmer has land in permanent pasture where additional seed is not required to obtain necessary cover, he may obtain financial help in applying fertilizer or lime, or both fertilizer and lime, depending on which measures he feels are needed to obtain the necessary cover. In all cases where lime is requested, a soil test must be obtained to determine the need for lime. In all cases where fertilizer is used under this practice a minimum of 800 pounds must be used. Experiments have shown that on most land at least this much fertilizer must be used for best results.

The purpose of this program is to protect and improve the soil of our county. Any farmer who needs help in doing this type of conservation work should make his regular request in the County ASC office in Appomattox soon as convenient. Practices may be started any time after January 1, 1956.

A farmer must sign his request for a practice before it is started if he wishes to receive a share of the cost.

After the farmer files his request the County Committee establishes a "cost-share" for the farm. The farmer is then notified of the amount of funds set aside to assist him in performing the practice and is given an "expiration date" by

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Walker Gets 40-Years On Guilty Plea

Pleading guilty to the murder of another man and the wounding of a mother and two of her children, Henry Walker was sentenced here Tuesday to a total of 40 years in the penitentiary. Sentence was pronounced by Judge DuVal S. Martin, of Lynchburg Corporation Court, who presided by designation of the Supreme Court of Appeals after Circuit Court Judge Joel W. Flood disqualified himself. The slain man had been a tenant on Judge Flood's farm.

Walker, 65, received 35 years as penalty for the slaying, and three five year sentences, to run concurrently, for the woundings.

The incident happened here Dec. 1, with Walker being apprehended after a police seige.

Walker was represented by Attorney J. R. Snoddy, of Dillwyn.

Bill Jamerson Stars As Student As Well As Athlete

An outstanding record is being made at Virginia Polytechnic Institute by Bill Jamerson, of Appomattox. Jamerson, a Senior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jamerson.

Winning considerable recognition as a football player, the 6 foot 3 inch, 205-pound local tackle, was named to the 1955 "All Bix Six" second team. Now, he has been named to the All - Southern Conference scholastic football team, in recognition of his outstanding ability as a player and a student. He is majoring in building construction and has maintained an excellent B average in his classes. Selections to all-conference scholastic teams are made by the editors of the American Peoples Encyclopedia, Chicago, to encourage athletes in the scholastic work. The encyclopedia honor award is made in the spring to football scholars at more than 50 universities in the nation.

Jamerson is president of Sigma Lambda Chi, honorary building construction fraternity's chapter at V. P. I. Charter for this chapter was presented in October, being accepted for the chapter by Jamerson.

Jamerson, a popular young man around Appomattox as well as at college, spends his summer vacations hard at work here with the active firm of J. E. Jamerson & Sons. He has trained himself, both by work and by study for a promising career in his chosen profession.

All dark-fired tobacco markets in this area will close on February 16, according to announcement made this week.

The marketing season began in early December, and was resumed after the Christmas holidays. Movement of tobacco to the warehouse floors has been retarded over much of the season by exceedingly dry weather which prevented the proper ordering of the leaf. However, several rains have come, and it is believed that all dark tobacco can be marketed by the February 16 closing date.

Prices on the various markets have been very good, save for some of the lower grades. A considerable volume of lower grade was offered during the sales period, the leaf in a number of areas of the belt having been damaged by hurricane storms of last year. These farmers fortunate enough to have good quality leaf to offer, found excellent prices awaiting them.

Appomattox County tobacco was equally as good, or better, this year as that of any other county in the Virginia Dark-Fired Belt.

With the marketing season about at an end, growers are already turning their attention to the plant beds for another crop, and hoping for an allotment break.

It is understood that a meeting was held in Washington this morning, beginning at 10:00 o'clock, in which Fourth District Representative Watkins M. Abbitt and a delegation representing growers and warehousemen will confer with Clarence Miller, chief of the Department of Agriculture Tobacco Section, in an effort to persuade the Department to restore a new cut in tobacco allotments.

A 10 per cent acreage cut is in the works for the 1956 crop. At a meeting in Farmville Saturday, the growers and warehousemen went on record as seeking ways to get a full restoration of this cut. They declared that the additional cut would force many growers out of the dark tobacco business, and that the new cut was ordered at a time when Virginia Type 21 is in good demand on the market.

Virginia growers would like to see Virginia's Type 21 separated from Types 22 and 23, grown in other states, in the overall allotment program of the USDA.

Demonstration Club Schedule

Home Demonstration Clubs will meet next week as follows, with "Uses of Cereals in Cooking" as the subject for demonstration:

Monday, Feb. 6.- Bethany Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Ruth Jennings. Mrs. Ryland Staples and Mrs. J. Mott Harvey will give the demonstration.

Monday, Feb. 6.- Country Lane Home Demonstration Club will meet at 7:30 P. M. with Mrs. Charlie Carter. Mrs. Carter and Mrs. J. P. Taylor will give the demonstration.

Tuesday, Feb. 7.- Lee Home Demonstration Club will meet at 11 A. M. with Mrs. W. E. Inge. Mrs. D. M. Wood and Mrs. Nellie Beale will give the demonstration.

Thursday, Feb. 9.- The Stonewall Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2 P. M. at Stonewall Community Center, with Mrs. William Coleman and Mrs. James McHenry as co-hostesses.

There will be 4-H Club meetings on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The Lucky Clover 4-H Club will meet at 7:30 P. M. with Eloise Rosser.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA MENU

Monday, Feb. 13.- Corn beef hash on toasted bun, apple sauce, sweet potato patties with marshmallows, 1-2 pint milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 14.- Hamburger patties with brown gravy, spaghetti, carrot strips, hot biscuits, pineapple crunch, 1-2 pint milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 15.- Hot dog with dressing, macaroni and cheese, green beans, ice cream, 1-2 pint milk.

Thursday, Feb. 16.- Sausage rings, baked apples, sliced cheese with graham crackers, fruit jello, 1-2 pint milk.

Friday, Feb. 17.- Tuna fish salad with crackers, potato chips, cole slaw, cookies, 1-2 pint milk.